

REMARKS

The undersigned thanks the Examiner for the telephone call of April 5, 2006. During the telephone call, the Examiner confirmed that claims 10 and 11 contain allowable subject matter, as indicated in paragraph 16 on page 8 of the Office Action of March 24, 2006.

In the Office Action, it was stated that claims 10 and 11 were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. This has been done as follows:

Claim 10 has been rewritten in independent form by incorporating the features of claim 10 into claim 1. The features of intervening claims 8 and 9 have also been incorporated into claim 1. Claims 6, 12, and 13 have been amended for consistency with newly amended claim 1. In view of these amendments, claim 1 is allowable. Claims 2, 3, 6, 7, 12, 13, and 14 are allowable because they depend from claim 1.

Claim 11 has been rewritten in independent form incorporating the features of base claim 1 and intervening claims 8 and 9. Claim 11 is therefore allowable.

Claims 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, and 15-20 are canceled.

The foregoing demonstrates that claims 1-3, 6, 7, and 11-14 are allowable. This application is therefore in condition

for allowance. Reconsideration and allowance of the application
are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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